

710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE

DEER PARK, TEXAS 77536

Minutes

of

A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AT CITY HALL, 710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE STREET, MARCH 17, 2008, BEGINNING AT 7:25 P.M. RELATING TO THE REQUEST OF MANUEL AND CYNTHIA GONZALES FOR A VARIANCE IN THE SEPARATION OF DRIVEWAYS LOCATED AT 7441 EVIE LANE, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

TRAVIS JAGGERS	CHAIRMAN
HAL ANDERSON	COMMISSIONER
RAY BALUSEK	COMMISSIONER
DON TIPPIT	COMMISSIONER

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT WERE:

SANDRA WATKINS	CITY SECRETARY
LARRY BROTHERTON	BUILDING INSPECTOR

1. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - The public hearing was opened by the City Secretary reading the Notice of Public Hearing. (Exhibit A)
2. HEARING OPENED FOR THOSE PERSONS DESIRING TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE REQUEST  
Chairman Jaggars opened the public hearing for those persons desiring to speak in favor of the request.
  - a. Manuel Gonzales, 7441 Evie Lane, Deer Park, Texas, commented, "I am requesting a 13-foot variance for the secondary driveway. That driveway has been there since 1994 when I purchased the property. We do have four adults living there, and we do have four automobiles. In order to comply with the city ordinance, I would like to get the 13-foot variance approved."

Commissioner Balusek asked, "Can you park all four automobiles on the two driveways?"

Mr. Gonzales answered, "My wife is handicapped, so in case I need to get out I do not have to get the kids to move their cars from behind us."

Commissioner Balusek asked, "Can you park all four cars off the street into the driveways? If you get the other driveway, will you be able to put the four cars on the driveways?"

Mr. Gonzales answered, "Yes, sir. Once I get this approved, they will not be in the way at all."

Commissioner Anderson asked, "I did not go by there today, and I cannot tell from the plat which home is yours?"

Mr. Gonzales answered, "The one right behind the car lot. The first home on Evie Lane right behind the car lot. The second driveway has been there for a long time. It was there when I purchased the property, so I thought I could use the grandfather clause. They said, 'No, I could not do that'. In order to comply I am asking for the 13-foot variance."

3. HEARING OPENED FOR THOSE PERSONS DESIRING TO SPEAK AGAINST THE REQUEST  
Chairman Jagers opened the public hearing for those persons desiring to speak against the request. No one spoke.
4. ACTION BY THE BOARD - Motion was made by Commissioner Balusek and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to grant the request of Manuel and Cynthia Gonzales for a variance in the separation of driveways located at 7441 Evie Lane. Motion carried 4 to 0.
5. HEARING CLOSED – Chairman Jagers closed the public hearing at 7:27 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED

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Sandra Watkins, TRMC, CMC  
City Secretary

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Travis Jagers, Chairman  
Board of Adjustment